

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 5 and 6 to read as follows:

5. A method of producing a light absorbing pattern film coated article as set forth in Claim 1, wherein said titanium oxide microparticles have an average particle diameter of 100 nm or less.

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6. A method of producing a light absorbing pattern film coated article as set forth in Claim 1, wherein said substrate is comprised of glass, ceramic, or resin.

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 are pending in the subject application, which claims are subject to a restriction requirement. Specifically, restriction to one of the following inventions is required:

- I. Claims 1-6, drawn to a method of producing a light absorbing pattern film coated article, classified in class 430, subclass 330.
- II. Claim 7, drawn to a light absorbing pattern film coated article, classified in class 428, subclass 206.

In a telephone conversation on 5/22/02, a provisional election was made without traverse to prosecute the invention of group I, claims 1-6. Applicants hereby affirm this election of group I, claims 1-6.

Further, in the present amendment, claims 5 and 6 have been amended. Support for amended claims 5 and 6 is found throughout the Specification, as filed, and no new matter is presented by the amendments.

Favorable reconsideration in light of the amendments and remarks which follow is respectfully requested.